

DULLES WETLANDS

Loudoun County Bird Atlas

Species List

Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy Bird Atlases documented 158 total species at the Dulles Wetlands between 2009 and 2014. Of these 158 species, 83 are breeding species and 75 are migratory or winter species. The breeding birds can be further divided into 33 confirmed breeders, 34 probable breeders, and 16 possible breeders.

The following table lists each documented species with its best evidence. OB (observed) indicates a species that used the Dulles Wetlands as a migratory stop-over or wintering ground. PO (possible breeder) indicates a species observed or heard during the breeding season in appropriate breeding habitat within the wetlands. PR (probable breeder) indicates a species that found a mate or established a territory within the wetlands, with no confirmation of breeding obtained. CO (confirmed breeder) indicates a species that was confirmed as breeding. Examples of confirmation could include observing an adult bird carrying nesting material or food, along with observations of a nest with eggs or young. An asterisk indicates a potential breeder within the Dulles Wetlands.

For more information about our Loudoun County Bird Atlas, a project organized and funded by the Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy, visit our website at www.loudounwildlife.org/Bird_Atlas.htm.

Species	Best Evidence	Species	Best Evidence
Canada Goose*	● CO FL	Northern Harrier	○ OB E
Tundra Swan	○ OB E	Sharp-shinned Hawk	○ OB E
Wood Duck*	● CO FL	Cooper's Hawk*	⊗ PO X
Gadwall	○ OB E	Red-shouldered Hawk*	● CO NB
American Wigeon	○ OB E	Red-tailed Hawk*	● CO RC
American Black Duck	○ OB E	Virginia Rail*	● PR T
Mallard*	● CO FL	Sora	○ OB E
Blue-winged Teal	○ OB E	Common Gallinule	○ OB E
Northern Shoveler	○ OB E	American Coot	○ OB E
Northern Pintail	○ OB E	Sandhill Crane	○ OB E
Green-winged Teal	○ OB E	Semipalmated Plover	○ OB E
Canvasback	○ OB E	Killdeer*	● PR T
Ring-necked Duck	○ OB E	Spotted Sandpiper	○ OB E
Lesser Scaup	○ OB E	Solitary Sandpiper	○ OB E
Bufflehead	○ OB E	Greater Yellowlegs	○ OB E
Hooded Merganser*	● CO FL	Lesser Yellowlegs	○ OB E
Ruddy Duck	○ OB E	Stilt Sandpiper	○ OB E
Northern Bobwhite*	⊗ PO X	Least Sandpiper	○ OB E
Wild Turkey*	● CO FL	Pectoral Sandpiper	○ OB E
Pied-billed Grebe	○ OB E	Semipalmated Sandpiper	○ OB E
Double-crested Cormorant	○ OB E	Short-billed Dowitcher	○ OB E
American Bittern	○ OB E	Long-billed Dowitcher	○ OB E
Great Blue Heron	○ OB O	Wilson's Snipe	○ OB E
Great Egret	○ OB E	American Woodcock*	● PR T
Little Blue Heron	○ OB E	Bonaparte's Gull	○ OB E
Green Heron*	● CO FL	Ring-billed Gull	○ OB E
Black-crowned Night-Heron	○ OB E	Rock Pigeon*	⊗ PO X
White Ibis	○ OB E	Mourning Dove*	● PR T
Black Vulture*	⊗ PO X	Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	● PR T
Turkey Vulture*	⊗ PO X	Black-billed Cuckoo	○ OB E
Osprey	○ OB E	Barred Owl*	● PR T
Bald Eagle*	● CO NY	Common Nighthawk	○ OB E

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Chimney Swift	○ OB O	Carolina Chickadee*	● CO NY	Yellow-rumped Warbler	○ OB E
Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	Ⓛ PR T	Tufted Titmouse*	● CO FL	Prairie Warbler*	Ⓛ PR T
Belted Kingfisher*	● CO FL	White-breasted Nuthatch*	Ⓛ PR T	Yellow-breasted Chat*	Ⓛ PR T
Red-bellied Woodpecker*	Ⓛ PR T	Brown Creeper	○ OB E	Eastern Towhee*	Ⓛ PR T
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	○ OB E	House Wren*	● CO NY	American Tree Sparrow	○ OB E
Downy Woodpecker*	Ⓛ PR T	Winter Wren	○ OB E	Chipping Sparrow*	● CO NY
Hairy Woodpecker*	⊗ PO X	Marsh Wren*	Ⓛ PR T	Clay-colored Sparrow	○ OB E
Northern Flicker*	⊗ PO X	Carolina Wren*	● CO FL	Field Sparrow*	● CO CF
Pileated Woodpecker*	⊗ PO X	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	Ⓛ PR T	Vesper Sparrow	○ OB E
American Kestrel	○ OB E	Golden-crowned Kinglet	○ OB E	Savannah Sparrow	○ OB E
Eastern Wood-Pewee*	Ⓛ PR T	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	○ OB E	Grasshopper Sparrow*	Ⓛ PR T
Acadian Flycatcher*	Ⓛ PR T	Eastern Bluebird*	● CO NY	Fox Sparrow	○ OB E
Willow Flycatcher*	Ⓛ PR N	Wood Thrush*	Ⓛ PR T	Song Sparrow*	Ⓛ PR T
Eastern Phoebe*	● CO FL	American Robin*	Ⓛ PR T	Swamp Sparrow	○ OB E
Great Crested Flycatcher*	Ⓛ PR T	Gray Catbird*	● CO NE	White-throated Sparrow	○ OB E
Western Kingbird	○ OB E	Brown Thrasher*	Ⓛ PR T	Dark-eyed Junco	○ OB E
Eastern Kingbird*	● CO ON	Northern Mockingbird*	Ⓛ PR T	Scarlet Tanager*	⊗ PO X
Loggerhead Shrike	○ OB E	European Starling*	● CO FL	Northern Cardinal*	Ⓛ PR T
White-eyed Vireo*	⊗ PO X	Cedar Waxwing*	Ⓛ PR T	Blue Grosbeak*	● CO DD
Yellow-throated Vireo*	⊗ PO X	Ovenbird*	⊗ PO X	Indigo Bunting*	● CO FL
Warbling Vireo	○ OB E	Louisiana Waterthrush*	⊗ PO X	Red-winged Blackbird*	● CO ON
Red-eyed Vireo*	● CO FL	Northern Waterthrush	○ OB E	Eastern Meadowlark*	Ⓛ PR T
Blue Jay*	Ⓛ PR T	Prothonotary Warbler	○ OB E	Rusty Blackbird	○ OB E
American Crow*	⊗ PO X	Common Yellowthroat*	● CO FL	Common Grackle*	Ⓛ PR T
Fish Crow*	⊗ PO X	American Redstart*	Ⓛ PR T	Brown-headed Cowbird*	Ⓛ PR T
Common Raven	○ OB O	Cape May Warbler	○ OB E	Orchard Oriole*	● CO FL
Purple Martin	○ OB E	Northern Parula*	Ⓛ PR T	Baltimore Oriole*	Ⓛ PR T
Tree Swallow*	● CO NY	Magnolia Warbler	○ OB E	House Finch*	● CO FL
No. Rough-winged Swallow*	● CO FL	Yellow Warbler*	● CO CF	American Goldfinch*	● CO NB
Bank Swallow	○ OB O	Blackpoll Warbler	○ OB E	House Sparrow*	● CO NE
Cliff Swallow	○ OB E	Black-throated Blue Warbler	○ OB E		
Barn Swallow*	⊗ PO X	Palm Warbler	○ OB E		